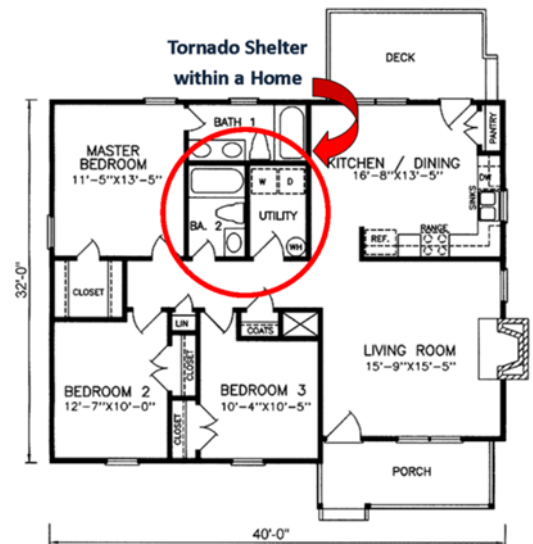


PLANNING FOR SEVERE STORMS

Create a Tornado Emergency Plan

- Sketch a floor plan of where you live, or walk through each room and discuss where and how to seek shelter.
- Show a second way to exit from each room or area. If you need special equipment, such as a rope ladder, mark where it is located.
- Make sure everyone understands the siren warning system, if there's such a system in your area.
- Mark where your first aid kit and fire extinguishers are located.
- Mark where the utility switches or valves are located so they can be turned off—if time permits—in an emergency.
- Teach your family how to administer basic first aid, how to use a fire extinguisher, and how and when to turn off water, gas, and electricity in your home.
- See FEMA for more information on identifying a proper pre-designated area to take shelter: [ready.gov/tornadoes](https://www.ready.gov/tornadoes).⁶



Assemble a Disaster Emergency Kit

- 3-day supply of water (1 gallon of water per person, per day)
- 3-day supply of non-perishable food (and can opener)
- Battery-operated radio and extra batteries
- Cell phone and charger
- Flashlight and batteries
- First aid kit (bandages, gauze, tweezers, disinfectant, gloves, pain relievers, thermometer, etc.)
- Whistle to signal for help
- Dust mask
- Survival blanket (also known as a space blanket)
- Extra cash (about \$50)
- Pocket knife
- Wrench to turn off utilities
- Medications, hand sanitizer, moist towelettes, plastic ties, and garbage bags
- Local maps for evacuation
- Change of clothes (including rain jacket, gloves, hat, etc.)



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